

The Islamic Truth

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The Lure of Secularism.

Beware of Western governments that have a policy of producing muslim personalities that accept there secular way of life (Deen).



News

Can Muslims see through the Western web of deceit?

A recent law passed by the US federal government ensures that Muslim women can wear the *hijab* whilst in employment. The American administration has also displayed other acts of 'generosity' towards the Muslims, such as allowing the building of mosques and institutions for Muslims. On one occasion President Clinton himself gave a special 'Eid address. This has led to some Muslims to believe that Muslims have found a 'friend' in America. They go on

to urge Muslims to distinguish between 'Muslim-friendly' Western nations and those, like France, that have a 'hostile' stance towards Muslims. They even suggest that those Muslims that do not make this distinction, and hence are against all Western nations, are paranoid. Finally, they feel that they are jeopardising any future 'gifts' that their generous hosts may give.

There is no doubt that certain Western nations do not give hand-outs to Muslims as America does. France is a very clear example of this. There are no polite 'Eid addresses from their government, rather their speeches are of an entirely different nature. Jean Claude Barreau, whilst he was adviser on immigration to the French Minister of the Interior, said,

"when somebody emigrates he changes not only his country but also his history. Foreigners arriving (to settle) in France must understand that their ancestors are the Gauls (ancient French) and that they have a new homeland."

So, according to Barreau the Muslims in France should consider their role models to be Napoleon Bonaparte, Asterix and Obelix, and not the Prophet Muhammad (saw)! This harshness is reflected throughout French society. Muslim women are harassed for wearing the *hijab*, Muslim men with beards are spat on, the Algerian Muslims living there are considered as guilty till proven innocent by the security forces. Similar attitudes are adopted in Denmark, where Muslims are seen as peasants sponging off the State and called 'Longoats' (a reference to the clothing of Muslim women). There was even discussion by the establishment suggesting that Muslim women should marry *Kafir* Danish men!

It is in the light of these facts, that some Muslims say that Muslims should open their eyes to the kindness shown by other Western nations, like America. They are bowled over by offers of grants for Muslim-run organisations. However, before they plunge into the arms of the American administration, as many have done, here are some other facts to consider:

1. All Western nations, including America, are Capitalist by their ideology, and hence secular by their creed. As such all Western nations seek to strengthen this creed within society. They aim to ensure that when it comes to the sphere of politics only Capitalism is implemented. To ensure that other beliefs do not interfere with the affairs of politics. So, it does not matter whether a citizen is a Hindu, Christian, Jew or Buddhist as long as they support the political concepts of Capitalism, such as freedom and democracy. If any creed were to challenge the creed of secularism, the State would intervene to prevent this. As Barreau put it, with his customary tact and diplomacy, "Islam has its place in France provided that it is willing to be as unobtrusive as other religions."

This applies to all Western nations, including America, as is made clear from their secular constitutions.

2. Islam by its nature cannot be 'unobtrusive', as per Barreau's secular standard. For unlike religions such as Hinduism, Islam is both spiritual and political. All Western governments are aware of this fact, including America and other so-called 'Muslim-friendly' governments. In an article published in the July 8, 1989, edition of the Times Newspaper, Clifford Longley

wrote that, "The (British) Home Office must know that some of their Muslim Beliefs at least at face value are not compatible with a plural society; Islam does not know how to exist as a minority culture, for it is not just a set of private individual principles and beliefs. Islam is a social creed above all, a radically different way of organising society as a whole."

3. Though all Western nations will work to ensure that secularism is strong within their lands, they do differ in the styles they adopt. Some will use the 'carrot' and others the 'stick'. The styles differ according to what the particular administration believes is the best way of achieving their objectives.

So, France uses the 'stick' when pursuing this policy. This stems from her intense pride at producing the 'founding fathers' of secularism. After all, key thinkers in the foundation of the liberal democracy were Frenchmen, such as Rousseau and Voltaire. Furthermore, France was the first nation to initiate revolution for the cause of secularism. In addition to all of this, parts of the French lands fell under the control of the Muslims during the time of the Khilafah, a memory that France will not easily forget! Nor will she forget that a huge Muslim population sits on her doorstep in North Africa. Hence, France has chosen to use a 'stick' when dealing with the Muslims.

America, on the other hand, chooses to use a 'carrot' when pursuing this policy. This is because, unlike the French, they have a great sense of self-confidence. This stems from two facts. Firstly, they pride themselves on the fact that although the French had a great part in formulating secularism, today, the USA is the nation with the oldest written secular constitution in implementation. This was because American thinkers and politicians took great pains to codify these principles, long before and after the American Revolution. Secondly, America is the world's leading nation and has been exporting her ideology to great effect. So, America has chosen the 'carrot' rather than the 'stick'. She hopes to tempt the Muslims into secularism, rather than beating them into submission. This is the case of all so called 'Muslim-friendly' Western governments. In August 1987, the Times Newspaper suggested a formula for the existence of Muslims in the West. It is proposed that the

"Muslims can maintain their fundamental beliefs while giving up any other demand to the Western way of life, and if Muslims accepted such compromise, we must help them in practising their belief and their own institutions."

In line with this formula, so-called 'Muslim-friendly' governments have taken it upon themselves to dream up their own version of Islam. This 'secular-Islam' involves removal of all the Islamic rules that the West would find objectionable. Since these rules are in the fields of ruling, foreign policy, judiciary and economics, in practise this leaves very little in 'secular-Islam'! Furthermore, to replace what has been chopped out, 'secular-Islam' proposes that the West should be referred to in these fields. This 'secular-Islam' is found throughout the West, in various guises such as, 'American Fiqh' and 'Moderacy'. These 'Muslim-friendly' governments have even found 'West-friendly' Muslims to preach this corruption. Muslims find themselves subjected to a barrage of seminars, conferences and even khutbahs denying Islam's role in politics on the one hand, but demanding Muslims to vote for Western political parties, on the other.

The end-product, however, regardless of the style, is exactly the same. That is to say, Muslims are free to practice Islam in their personal lives, but when it comes to politics that is never acceptable. This is the line that no Western nation can ever accept to be crossed, for that would undermine the basis for their very existence, secularism. It is from these facts that one can conclude that no Western Capitalist government is 'Muslim friendly'. No matter how many 'carrots' are strewn before the Muslims, the 'stick' will be brought out when this line is crossed. One 'stick' that America has used is the threat of taking back the 'carrots'. Indeed, many Muslims are scared of crossing the line for fear of losing their community centre or Mosque. Another 'stick' is the great witch-hunt against the 'fundamentalists'. Already many Muslims have been expelled from America for holding Islamic political views.

Muhammad (saw) was never taken in by the styles that the *Kuffar* used in their war against Islam. He was always aware that, regardless of the style they employed, they hoped to distance him from carrying Islam in its totality, political and spiritual. So, at one time the Quraysh used the 'stick'. They persecuted, tortured and boycotted the Muslims, including himself (saw). However, they found that this style began to fail to achieve that which they had set out to do. For their harsh style built sympathy for the Muslims amongst the Disbelievers and

strengthened the resolve of the Believers. So, 'Utbah ibn Rabi'ah was sent by the Quraysh to the Prophet (saw), saying,

"You have outraged our gods and religion and accused our forefathers and wise men of impiety and error. You have left no stone unturned to estrange the relations with us. If you are doing all this with a view to getting the wealth, we will join together to give you greater wealth than any Qurayshi has ever possessed. If ambition moves you, we will make you our chief. If you desire kingship we will readily offer you that. If you are under the power of an evil spirit that seems to haunt and dominate you so that you cannot shake off its yoke, then we shall call skillful doctors to cure you."

Note, that the Prophet (saw) was not just getting a vote or an acknowledgement from the Congressman or Parliament of the time. He (saw) was being given the leadership of the entire *Kufr* system, on condition that he abandoned Islam in its totality. Yet, he was not tempted by the 'carrots' offered, nor did he fear the return of the 'stick'. Rather he replied with Qur'an in a manner that left the regime deeply unsettled. He knew full well that this new style was not due to their sudden realisation that Islam was the Truth, rather he (saw) knew that this style was a new attempt to achieve the same evil purpose that they had always had. As one obedient to Allah (swt) he could never ever accept their conditions, for all the rewards of this Earth are nothing before service to the Lord and Creator, Allah (swt). There is no clearer warning for those who remain blinded by the gifts of the enemies of Islam today.

IRANIAN REGIME BETRAY ISLAMIC REVOLUTION AND THE MEANING OF KARBALA

Iranian regime shake hands with murderers of Muslims in Iraq & those who insult the Messengers of Allah:



The tail of the Iranian regime shake hands with the head of the snake (Kufr). How they conspire to keep the Muslims oppressed while they plan to bring about a New World Order! by eradicating Islam!

The visit of the Iranian foreign minister to Britain and his meeting with the Prime Minister Tony Blair is an anathema to Allah, his Messenger Muhammad (saw), Islam and Muslims. With Britain currently bombing our Muslim brothers and sisters in Iraq this is clearly a betrayal of the honour of Muslims and the sanctity of their life. The alliance and the strengthening of relations with the enemies of Islam and Muslims is unfortunately not a new phenomenon with the corrupt and barbaric Iranian regime as the recent unlawful withdrawal of the legitimate Fatwa against Salmon Rushdie evidenced.

In fact the list of crimes perpetrated against divine law by the Iranian regime is a very long and brutal one and if we begin to count them we find that it no less than that of Al Saud and Saddam Hussein, some of which are:

- That the system in Iran is a Republican system, i.e. another version of a man made system contradicting with divine text whereas the Islamic system is Al-Khilafah where sovereignty is for none but Allah, supremacy is for the Shari'ah and authority is in the hands of the Muslims.
- Externally Iran abides by non-Islamic international law dictated by the UN and is a regular member of the IMF and world bank based on Riba' i.e international interest based transactions prohibited by Islam.
- The oppression of Muslims in Iran, in particular the Sunnis and whoever disagrees with them, is severe.
- Iran accepts alliances with regimes like Syria who are killing Muslims in Lebanon and Syria and has blessed thereby the peace with the Israeli Jews raping and murdering Muslims and stealing their land
- Iran has distorted the commands of Allah (saw)'s by illegally retreating from the Fatwa issued against Salman Rushdie, the one who insulted the Messenger Muhammad (saw).
- Iran oppresses a huge number of Muslims, Sunni and Shi's in Iran, imprisoning whoever disagrees with them, seizing Muslim land and putting some scholars who speak out

either under house-arrest or in prison.

- Iran has neglected support for the Muslims in Chechnya who are fighting with the enemies of Islam and instead fight against Muslims such as the Taleban
- Iran have ignored the rights of Muslims in Azerbaijan and instead support their enemies the Armenians. Refer to "the Enamies of Islam & Muslims", insert on this page.
- Iran have neglected their duty towards their brothers and sisters in Iraq and are instead supporting those bombing them i.e. the British and Americans.

We call upon the Muslims and Muslim army in Iran to declare Jihad against Israel, Russia and India and to send its forces to liberate Palestine, South Lebanon, Kashmir and Chechnya and not to be subservient to the Kufir regime of Iran who utilise them to do nothing except monitor some demonstrations in Tehran and beat themselves in Karbala instead of beating the enemies of Muslims and creating a new Karbala for them in Palestine, Chechnya and Kashmir.

We call upon Muslims everywhere to expose the corrupt regimes under which they live and to work together, not for a Republican or Democratic system based on the whims and desires of man made law but for the world-wide Islamic State, Al-Khilafah, which will protect everyone's belief, life, honour, mind and wealth as indeed it did for 1302 years from the time of the Messenger Muhammad (saw) until the 3rd of March 1924.



JIHAD! Part II continuation

Jihad is a duty that must be carried out by ALL Muslims, financially, physically or verbally otherwise they fall in sin!

The Evidence:

The evidence for Defensive Jihad - Jihad al-Dafa'ah:

This is found in Surah Al-Tauba verse 36:

"And whosoever does any aggression against you retaliate against them in the same manner but know that Allah is with those who restrain themselves.."

"Waa Qaatilul Mushrikeena Qaafatan kamaa uqaatilunakum Kaafa. Waa lamuu analaha ma' al mutaqeen".

It is reported in the Musnad of Imam Ahmed that Abu Sayed Al Kudri asked the Messenger Muhammad (saw) "What is aggression?" and He (saw) said "When they fight you for your deen or for your wealth or for your life".

Imam Ahmed also reported that the Messenger Muhammad (saw) also said "whoever dies defending his deen is a martyr, whoever dies defending his wealth is a martyr, whoever dies defending his homeland is a martyr".

The indication *Qarina* that it is an obligation to defend yourself is firstly that Allah (swt) connects the issue of fighting with that of Taqwa ("...Allah is with those who restrain themselves...") and secondly that retaliation is permitted here whereas the general rule for the Muslim is that he is not permitted to retaliate.

The Prophet Muhammad (Sallaahu alahi wa sallam) is reported to have said:

" ALLAH drew the ends of the world together for my sake, and I saw it from east to west. The supremacy of my Ummah (nation of Muslims) will stretch to cover all that I have seen" (Saheeh, Muslim)

And he (Sallaahu alahi wa sallam) is reported to have said:

" Surely as the night follows the day, ALLAH will establish this religion in every house, in every town, in

every village, and in every desert. Gloriously he grants his favour upon those who deserve it, and humiliates the ungrateful" . (Imam Ahmad) .

Abdullah bin 'Amr bin al-'Aas narrated that once the Prophet (Sallaahu alahi wa sallam) was asked which city would fall first to the Muslims, Constantinople or Rome. The Prophet (Sallaahu alahi wa sallam) replied that Constantinople would be the first to fall (Imam Ahmad) . 800 years later, Muhammad al-Faatih opened Constantinople for the Muslims. Now we await the opening of Rome. The Prophet (Sallaahu alahi wa sallam) said:

" The Prophet hood will be amongst you for all long as ALLAH wills, then when ALLAH wills, HE will remove it. Then you will have khulafaa (caliphs) following the example of the Prophet (Sallaahu alahi wa sallam), and when ALLAH wills, HE will remove it. Then you will have rigid kings for as long as ALLAH wishes. And when HE wishes, HE will remove them. Then you will have tyrants and dictators for as long as ALLAH wishes, and when HE wills, HE will remove them from you. Then again you shall have khulafaa (caliphs) following the example of the Prophet (Sallaahu alahi wa sallam), who will follow his sunnah, and restore Islam to its rightful place on earth. Who will please ALLAH in the sky, and the believers on earth. Then the sky will not hold back a drop of rain, and the earth will not hold back its riches and goodness. " (Hasan Saheeh, Tirmidhee) .

The rule of the rigid kings is over, and we are currently living under tyrants who have no care for the people, and control them with the barrel of a gun. Yet we must not forget that the Prophet (Sallaahu alahi wa sallam) promised us with the return of true Islam, and a bright future. We urge you to be part of the revival, call 07970-059-709 to find out more!

It is obligatory (Fard) to forbid the Munkar.

Forbidding the evil (Munkar) is an obligation (fard) upon every Muslim individual, groups or parties, and this must be undertaken if there is an Islamic State or not, or if one is in a Muslim country or in non-Muslim country.

Munkar (evil) is everything denounced and prohibited by the Sha'ri'ah, like neglecting an obligation or committing Haram. Forbidding Munkar is a divine law (Hukm Shar'ah) prescribed by Allah (swt) upon all Muslims. Imam Muslim narrated about Abey Said Al-Khudry, he said: I heard the prophet (saw) say: "Whoever of you had seen a munkar (evil) let him change it by his hand, and if he could not do that let him do it by his tongue, and if he could not do that let him deny it by his heart (i.e. hate it), and this is the weakest (degree of) faith (Iman)".

Allah (swt) made it obligatory upon Muslims to establish from themselves parties and groups in order to enjoin the right conduct and forbid Munkar. Allah (swt): **Let there arise among you a group (or groups) calling society to do what Allah orders and refrain from what He**

Forbids and these groups are the ones who are successful". [TMQ 3:104]

Allah (swt) has honoured this nation by making her the best nation that was raised up for mankind as she enjoins the right conduct and forbids the wrong, and believes in Allah.

He (swt) said: **"you are the best nation that has been raised up for mankind. You enjoin right conduct and forbid the wrong, and you believe in Allah."** [TMQ 3:110]

Allah (swt) has differentiated between the believers and the hypocrites on the basis of enjoining the good and forbidding the wrong. He (swt) said: **"The hypocrites, both men and women, proceed from one another. They enjoin the wrong and forbid the right (conduct)" [TMQ 9:67] "**

And he (swt) said **" And the believers, men and women, are protecting friends one of another they enjoin the right conduct and forbid the wrong" [TMQ 9:71]**

Allah (swt) has threatened Muslims by punishment if they remain silent about the wrong and they did not act

to change it and remove it. It was narrated by Huthaifa bin Al-Yaman that the prophet (saw) said: "(I vow) by the one in whose hand my soul rests, you have to enjoin the right and forbid the wrong, otherwise Allah will send you a punishment from Him, then you would pray to him (ask him), but He would not answer you".

It was also narrated by Haitham, he said: I heard the prophet (saw) say: "Any people amongst whom sins are committed, and they could change them, but they did not (change them), Allah will bring strong punishment on them". According to what Ahmed narrated, the prophet (saw) said: Allah will not punish the people because of the action of particular people, unless (until) they see the wrong amongst themselves and they are able to change it but they do not.

Once they have that He would punish the wrong doing people and the common people". So any Muslim who witnesses a wrong thing-any wrong thing in front of him, he has a duty to work in order to forbid it and change it by one of three ways mentioned in the tradition (Hadith) by Abey said Al-Khudry according to his capability: otherwise he would be sinful. Enjoining the good and forbidding the wrong is an obligation upon Muslims under all circumstances, whether the Khilafah exists or not, and whether the rules applied upon the Muslims are Islamic rules or Kufir rules, and whether the ruler applies Islamic rules or misapplies them.

Enjoining the good and forbidding the wrong was practiced at the time of the prophet (saw), at the time of the companions (Sahaba), at the time of the followers (Tab'een) and their followers (Tab'ee tab'een); and this law will remain until the day of judgement. The wrong (Munkar) may occur by individuals, or groups, or by the state. The one who forbids the wrong and changes it is the State, the individuals and the parties or groups.

In the Islamic State (Khilafah) the ruler is the caretaker of the peoples affairs by the rulers of the Shari'ah to forbid the wrong things, whether they are practiced by individuals or groups. The prophet (saw) said: "The Imam is the Shepherd (caretaker) and he is responsible for his citizens". Allah (swt) delegated to him (saw) the forcing of people, whether individuals or groups, to perform these duties, he is obliged to use it. Allah (swt) also made it obligatory upon him to prevent them from committing the prohibited things, it is obligatory upon him to use it.

So the State is the origin for changing the wrong and removing it by hand, i.e. by force, because it is responsible by the Shari'ah for the application of Islam and compelling the people to obey all rules. With regard to changing the wrong by individuals, the individuals who see a wrong thing in front of him, such as a person who drinks alcohol, steals, is about to kill, commit adultery, or any other Munkar, then it is obligatory upon him to forbid this Munkar and to work to change it, and remove it, and he would be sinful if he failed to do so.

If he was able by the least amount of doubt to remove this wrong by his hand then he is obliged to start changing it and work to remove it. Thus preventing the person from drinking alcohol, stealing, killing, or from committing adultery. He has to prevent the action and remove it by hand, because he is able to change it by hand, in fulfillment of the saying of the prophet (saw): Whoever of you sees a wrong thing, let him change it by hand (i.e. by force)"

Using the hand, i.e. the physical power to change the wrong depends on the actual capability-by the least amount of doubt- to change the wrong and remove it by hand. However, if there was no capability to remove it then the hand is not to be used, because using it will not achieve the aim of changing the wrong and removing it. So the use of the hand, as mentioned in the hadith depends on the ability to change the wrong. The evidence for this is the hadith which transfers to forbidding the wrong by tongue (words) in the case of inability, i.e. in case of inability to forbid the wrong and remove it by hand: where he (saw) said: "if he could not then, let him forbid it by his tongue". Forbidding the wrong by the tongue is not considered changing the wrong. If he could denounce by his tongue, then he has to hate that wrong by his heart and not to accept it. **Continued Next Issue**

Fiqh Corner

Q. Given a group already exist, can an individual work by himself without being under a group. Or is he/she is sinning just because he/she is not affiliated with any group?

A. Working with a group(s) to establish Khilafah is Fard upon every mature, sane and capable Muslim. Even if group(s) exist working toward establishing Khilafah, since the task is not fulfilled yet, they remove the sins from their necks but the burden on them remains until the task is fulfilled. Whereas other Muslims (who don't have Shari'ah permit) are sinful until they join a group and engage working with them toward establishing the Khilafah.

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The Enemies of Islam & Muslims

REGIMES	FORCES
All Regimes in Muslim Countries	The Intelligence's
State of Israel	Israeli Forces
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Russian Regime	Russian Forces
French Regime	French Forces
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